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PERIPHERAL ACCESS VENOUS CANNULA FOR BLOOD WITHDRAWAL

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Sir:

**RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Responsive to the Official Action of September 20, 2005 (for which petition is hereby made for a two month extension of time), and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicants elect the subject matter of Group VI, that is claims 53-59 directed to a method for treating blood using a withdrawal needle and catheter.

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